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Sir:

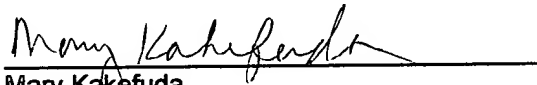
The Office Action of January 19, 2001 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on April 19, 2001. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Applicants' credit card in the amount of \$890.00 for payment of the extension fee. Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment Form for fee purposes. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1744.

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